

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Monday 17 May 2021 until 23:59 on Tuesday 18 May 2021

Forecast Issued on Sunday 16 May 2021 at 09:37 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for the quite unsettled pattern but medium for the detail of worst of conditions.

Headline for Monday 17 May 2021: Showers focused in east. Light winds. Freezing level at or slightly above highest summits.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 17 May 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Medium Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
							
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Heavy rain showers	Heavy rain showers	Sunny intervals
Precipitation probability							
10%	10%	10%	10%	20%	30%	30%	20%

Forecast for Monday 17 May 2021

Weather: A day of showers, these mainly focused across the east, where they turning heavy with risk of hail and thunder for the afternoon and perhaps early evening. Snow level lowering across highest peaks in heaviest outbreaks.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 90%.

Visibility: Generally good or very good, becoming moderate or poor in showers, very poor in snow showers and hill fog with associated bases lowering 500-800m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	5/6 NW	7/9 W	7/9 W	5/9 W	8/13 W	11/16 W	11/17 W	11/14 W	12/16 SW
900	4/5 NW	7/8 W	6/8 W	5/9 W	8/13 W	11/17 W	12/17 W	11/14 W	11/15 SW
600	3/4 NW	5/6 W	5/6 W	5/8 W	7/12 W	10/15 W	10/15 W	7/10 W	7/12 SW
300	1/2 NW	2/6 W	3/6 W	3/8 W	5/11 W	6/14 W	7/14 W	4/10 W	4/10 SW
Glen	1/2 S	1/2 NW	1/3 SW	4/7 W	6/11 W	8/14 W	7/12 W	4/8 W	3/7 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	2/-0	1/-2	1/-2	2/-0	3/-0	3/-0	2/-2	1/-3	1/-4
900	2/1	2/-1	2/-1	3/0	4/1	4/0	3/-1	2/-2	2/-3
600	4/3	4/2	4/2	5/4	7/4	7/4	6/3	4/2	4/1
300	6/6	6/5	6/5	8/8	10/9	10/8	9/7	7/6	6/5
Glen	7/7	6/6	8/8	10/10	12/11	12/11	11/10	9/9	8/8
Freezing Level*	1300m	1200m	1100m	1200m	1200m	1200m	1200m	1100m	1100m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Strong sunshine building the showers across the east for the afternoon with risk hail and thunder.

Forecast for Tuesday 18 May 2021

Weather: Best of the brighter spells early to mid-morning and across the south. Otherwise turning increasingly cloudy as a band of showery rain spreads from the north. Risk of showers turning thundery during the afternoon, with snow level lowering to 700m late in the day.

Maximum wind: West to Northwest 10-15mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 90% at first lowering 30% into the afternoon.

Visibility: Good or very good, becoming moderate or poor in showers and longer periods of rain, very poor in snow and hill fog with associated bases lowering 500-800m.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 3 Celsius increasing 12 Celsius during the afternoon
At 800m: Plus 2 Celsius lowering Zero
Freezing level: 1100m lowering 800m